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Corps of Engineers recommends Clean Water Action action against the city of Carson

Los Angeles -- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has recommended that the city of Carson be fined \$10,000 for failing to comply with sections of the Clean Water Act.

Los Angeles District Engineer Col. Richard G. Thompson issued the proposed administrative penalty against the city for Carson's alleged non-compliance with the special conditions of a Department of Army permit approved in June 2002 by the Corps' regulatory program. The permit involved a culvert project within Macco Channel at the Del Amo Blvd. overpass and I-405 in Carson.

Corps regulators said the city allegedly failed to comply with a requirement to perform mitigation involving removal of non-native invasive plant species-and a requirement, to plant pickleweed in part of the Dominguez Channel.

For the next 30 days, until Feb. 13, the public can read the proposed order and provide comments to the Corps. Col. Thompson will then consider any information submitted, as well as requests for a hearing, before issuing a final order.

The proposed order and general information about the Corps administrative penalty authority and procedures are available at:

http://www.spl.usace.army.mil/regulatory/administrative_penalties.htm

